

with the Coast Guard; and that the vessel, aircraft, or radio station had been offered to and accepted by the Coast Guard; and that at the time the damage was incurred the facility was assigned, by competent authority, to specific Coast Guard duties; the damages may be repaired or the equipment replaced, in the discretion of the Commandant, whose decision shall be final, either by the Coast Guard or by the owner of the facility at his own expense for which reimbursement will be made by the Coast Guard.

#### **§ 5.53 Constructive or actual loss.**

In case of the constructive or actual loss of a vessel, aircraft, or radio station, where such loss is reported to the Coast Guard within six months from the date of such loss, the Commandant will cause an investigation to be made. If, as a result of such investigation, it is found that the responsibility for the loss rests with the Coast Guard; and that the vessel, aircraft, or radio station had been offered to and accepted by the Coast Guard; and that at the time of the loss, the facility was assigned, by competent authority, to specific Coast Guard duties; the Coast Guard will make such payment to the owner of the facility, as in the discretion of the Commandant, whose decision shall be final, will compensate such owner for the constructive or actual loss of his vessel, aircraft, or radio station.

#### **§ 5.55 Compensation.**

No member of the Auxiliary shall receive any compensation for his services as a member of the Auxiliary.

#### **§ 5.57 Traveling expenses and per diem.**

A member of the Auxiliary, when assigned to specific duties, may be paid actual necessary traveling expenses, including a per diem allowance, in conformity with Comptroller's Manual, U.S. Coast Guard.

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#### **§ 5.59 Medical treatment and hospitalization.**

When any member of the Auxiliary is physically injured or dies as a result of physical injury incurred while performing patrol duty or any other specific duty to which he has been assigned, such member or his beneficiary shall be entitled to the same benefits as are now or as may hereafter be provided for temporary members of the Coast Guard Reserve who suffer physical injury or death resulting from physical injury incurred in line of duty. Members of the Auxiliary who contract sickness or disease while performing patrol duty or any other specific duty to which they have been assigned shall be entitled to the same hospital treatment as is afforded members of the Regular Coast Guard.

#### **§ 5.61 Uniforms.**

Members of the Auxiliary may purchase from the Coast Guard at actual cost such uniforms as may be authorized by the Secretary. Such uniforms may be worn by members of the Auxiliary under such circumstances and upon such occasions as may be authorized by the Commandant.

#### **§ 5.63 Insignia.**

Insignia, as authorized by the Secretary, may be purchased from the Coast Guard at actual cost and may be worn by members of the Auxiliary under such circumstances, at such places, and upon such occasions as may be prescribed by the Commandant.

#### **§ 5.65 Medals.**

The Commandant may make awards, including medals, to members of the Auxiliary.

#### **§ 5.69 Limitations of rights, privileges, and benefits.**

Section 893 of Title 14, U.S. Code, reads as follows:

Members of the Auxiliary and temporary members of the Reserve shall be entitled only to such rights, privileges, and benefits as are specifically set forth for them in this title or as may be specifically provided for them in any other Act of Congress. Any Act of Congress which grants rights, privileges, or benefits generally to military personnel, or among others, to personnel of the Coast